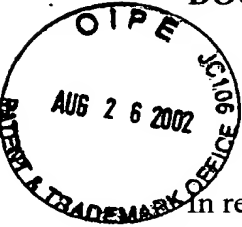


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Dear Sir:

**AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR
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In response to the Official Action dated April 22, 2002, please amend the above-identified application as follows.

In the specification:

Please amend the Abstract of the disclosure set forth below.